God, who is perfect, is the supreme object ol love and reve-
rence, and the finite self, as the object of divine love and the
rentre of the divine manifestation, is an object of constant
love to the aspirant after spiritual life.

Again how God sanctifies the human soul and unifies it with the Divine even through the mighty power of love, how
love workb magically in bringing about repentance in man,
Brahma Rishi Venkata Ratnam gives a graphic description in his exposition of two short poems of Tennyson called,
* *H^PPy fJi^ Leper's Bride '* and *ʻRomnay's Remorse ' ,*
For
the benefit of the readers, I cannot do better than reproducing
them below:

ihc stoiv ot the tir&t poem is briefly this. There was a fine-
apinted, young man, by name Ulnc. He married a young woman
i-rom pine mutual love On the day of the wedding, they planted d
rosi bubh to commemorate the solemn e\ent They lived happily
together as man and wife An evil-soulcd neighbour, a Count., cast
lustful eyes upon the young wite In order to get his kicked wish
satisfied, he went ancf whispered to her that her husband was faithless
to her and was wooing his wite and that, therefore, Ulnc'b' wife and
himself must conspire to take revenge At once she became smitten
with jealousy So, in order to rouse jealousy in her husband, who
she thought and misthought was wronging her, she allowed the wicked
person to kiss her on the brow m Vine's presence. Ulnc's wliole life
now became frozen towards her. A chill set in between the two,
though they could well have cleared up matters by a little ? expla-

nation The unhappy relations continued
Losing the charm oi the
home, he became a crusader as was the
general custom in thost
da^s, donned the crusader's war-dress,
mounted his horse and was
about to leave, when, plucking a pair of
roses from the plant of the
marriage-morn, the woman made up to him
and presented them
to him. He took them silently, though with a
frown, and kissed
them and flung them to the ground She
picked up the flowers
thus thrown away and kept them as sacred
mementos. And he,
abroad, went to the Holy Land, fought
nobly, won victory and iamc,
caught leprosy and retuined home a leper.
And, according to tlie
all too rigid segregation rules of the day, he
\\as removed fiom society ,
and in conformity with the prescribed
church ritual, lie was taken to
the church and there the priest solemnly
proclaimed him dead and